

Our Dead.

EASTABROOKS.— Sister Emma Eastabrooks passed from the troubles of this world into that land where the inhabitants never say: "I am sick," on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 23rd, 1893. Sister Eastabrooks was a woman of noble character, loved and appreciated by all who knew her. A gentleman whose testimony is worth something, said, "It was a good thing for the town when Sister Eastabrooks moved in to it." Truly she has been a blessing to the town and of help to the church, regular in attendance, earnest in work, faithful in the discharge of her duties, she let her light shine, and in its bright rays more than one found encouragement and help. Living right she could not fail to die right, and she knew of her coming end, soon after she came home from her trip east, I called to see her; it was just on the eve of a trip to Kansas. After prayer together, I expressed the wish that she would be better soon. She looked at me with a smile that I understood better when I found her near the Jordan. Visiting her one Sunday shortly before she died, she said, "I have no fear for the future" and after sending a message to the church, she requested me to preach her funeral sermon. Through life our sister carried heavy burdens and her sickness was long and severe, yet she was as patient as becometh saints, and found Christ to be her stay. The last Sunday I visited her, her experience was: "All is peace," and in talking to her family about the future she said: "Oh, what a reunion there will be." She realized fully that parting with the body meant union with Christ and reunion with loved ones, in that beautiful, happy, glorified home of the soul. The funeral services were held in the Carleton church after which the large congregation followed her remains to the silent city of the dead, and watched the mortal portion placed under the sod, while friends sang: "We'll never say good bye in heaven." The bereaved family can look forward to a blessed reunion and have consolation in knowing that then no good byes will be uttered, but with mother all will be "Forever with the Lord."

The struggle is o'er—life's conflict is past—

Victory has crowned the sufferer at last.

Though we feel the stroke heavy, and bitter the pain,

Yet we know that our loss is her infinite gain.

She has gone to the home of the blessed above,

To share in its anthem of praise, its rapture of love—

As her purified spirit the portals passed through

What scenes of beauty and glory unfurled to view!

O loved one farewell! we part from thee now,

While to the will of the Highest in submission we bow,

E're long, and life's journey with us will be o'er,

Then we'll meet thee and greet thee, on the beautiful shore.

O home of rapture! when in the sweet recognition,

Hope shall be changed into perfect fruition—

When loved ones all meet to part never more.

And together their Saviour forever adore.

JOHN DUKE McFADEN.

CRONER.— In the Stonycreek congregation Somerset Co., Pa., Dec. 16, 1893. Sister Ellen Croner, wife of Brother John Croner, aged 40 years, 2 months and 8 days. Sister Croner was a daughter of Bro. and Sister Josiah Kimmel of near Berlin, Pa. and a sister in flesh of Eld. Joseph L. Kimmel of Louisville, Ohio. In her arms she held her infant son Irl, who died the day after his mother, aged 7 days. Sis-

ter Croner was known among her acquaintances for her mild and even temper, her more than ordinary kind and loving disposition, and died in a sure hope and glorious anticipation of a bright immortality. Husband, six children and parents are left to mourn their great loss. Funeral services conducted by the writer in the presence of a very large concourse of neighbors and friends. May Heaven's richest blessings rest upon the bereaved family.

JOHN H. KNEPPER.

Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 20, '93.

BLACKFORD.— In Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 19th, 1893. Friend Samuel Blackford, aged 62 years, 8 months and 12 days. Funeral services conducted by the writer. "Watch therefore for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come."

JOHN H. KNEPPER.

COBAUGH.— Johnstown Pa., Dec. 11, 1893. Infant son of Sister Kittie and the late lamented Brother Peter A. Cobough. The breath of life remained but a short time and it returned to God who gave it.

JOHN H. KNEPPER.

REED.— In the fifth ward Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 12th, 1893. Infant daughter of Brother and Sister Lemon Reed, aged 9 days. "The streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof" Zach. viii, 5.

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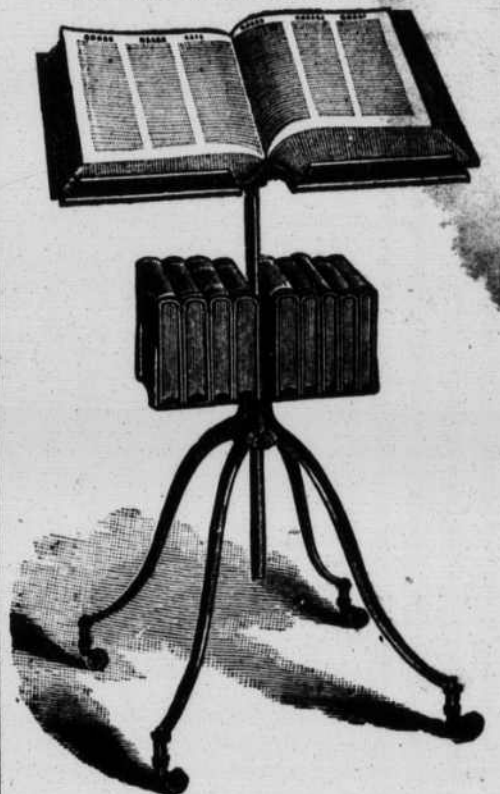
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